

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-21 (Canceled).

Claim 22 (New): A polymer composition comprising:

at least 20 weight % of at least one polycondensation polymer having a heat deflection temperature of above 80 °C under a load of 1.82 MPa when measured according to ASTM D648;

from 0 to 5 weight % of at least one polymer having a heat deflection temperature of at most 80 °C under a load of 1.82 MPa when measured according to ASTM D648;

a white pigment; and

a black pigment.

Claim 23 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 22, wherein the polycondensation polymer is selected from the group consisting of at least partially aromatic polyamides, polyamideimides, liquid crystalline polymers, polyimides, polyetherimides, polyaryletherketones, and polyphenylene sulfides.

Claim 24 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 22, wherein the polycondensation polymer is an at least partially aromatic polyamide.

Claim 25 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 24, wherein the at least partially aromatic polyamide is a polyphthalamide formed from terephthalic acid and an aliphatic diamine, and optionally, in addition, isophthalic acid and/or an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid.

Claim 26 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 24, wherein the at least partially aromatic polyphthalamide is formed from an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid and an aromatic diamine.

Claim 27 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 22, wherein:

- the white pigment is present in a concentration of at least about 4 weight %, based on the total weight of the composition, and
- the black pigment is present in a concentration of up to about 0.02 weight %, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 28 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 22, wherein the polycondensation polymer is an at least partially aromatic polyamide, said at least partially aromatic polyamide being a polyphthalamide formed from terephthalic acid and an aliphatic diamine, and optionally, in addition, isophthalic acid and/or an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid.

Claim 29 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 22, wherein the polycondensation polymer is selected from the group consisting of polyarylethersulfones, at least partially aromatic polyamides, polyamideimides, liquid crystalline polymers, polyimides, polyetherimides, polyaryletherketones, and polyphenylene sulfides.

Claim 30 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 29, wherein the white pigment is titanium dioxide.

Claim 31 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 29, wherein the black pigment is a carbon black.

Claim 32 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 29, wherein the white pigment is present in a concentration of up to about 30 weight %, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 33 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 29, wherein the black pigment is present in a concentration of at least about 0.0001 weight %, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 34 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 29, wherein the polycondensation polymer is present in a concentration of at least about 40 weight %, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 35 (New): The polymer composition according to claim 29, wherein the polycondensation polymer is present in a concentration of up to about 90 weight %, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 36 (New): A shaped article formed from the composition according to claim 22.

Claim 37 (New): A shaped article formed from the composition according to claim 28.

Claim 38 (New): The shaped article according to claim 37, wherein the shaped article is selected from the group consisting of a reflector for an LED, a reflector cup for a surface mount LED, and a scrambler for a seven-segment LED.

Claim 39 (New): A shaped article formed from the composition according to claim 29.

Claim 40 (New): A method for improving the heat stability of a white-pigmented polycondensation polymer composition comprising at least 20 weight % of at least one polycondensation polymer having a heat deflection temperature of above 80 °C under a load of 1.82 MPa when measured according to ASTM D648, and from 0 to 5 weight % of at least one polymer having a heat deflection temperature of at most 80 °C under a load of 1.82 MPa when measured according to ASTM D648, which comprises using a black pigment.

Claim 41 (New): The method according to claim 40, wherein the polycondensation polymer is an at least partially aromatic polyamide, said at least partially aromatic polyamide being a polyphthalamide formed from terephthalic acid and an aliphatic diamine, and optionally, in addition, isophthalic acid and/or an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid.

Claim 42 (New): A polymer composition comprising at least 20 weight % of at least one polycondensation polymer having a heat deflection temperature of above 80 °C under a load of 1.82 MPa when measured according to ASTM D648, from 0 to 5 weight % of at least one polymer having a heat deflection temperature of at most 80 °C under a load of 1.82 MPa when measured according to ASTM D648, and a white pigment, which after 3 hours of heat aging at 170 °C has a reflectivity of greater than 65 % at a wavelength of 420 nm.

Claim 43 (New): The method according to claim 42, wherein the polycondensation polymer is an at least partially aromatic polyamide, said at least partially aromatic polyamide

being a polyphthalamide formed from terephthalic acid and an aliphatic diamine, and optionally, in addition, isophthalic acid and/or an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid.